

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS:

Senate and House convened the first session of the One Hundred Tenth Congress.

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi of the State of California was elected Speaker of the House Representatives.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1–S203

Measures Introduced: One hundred seventy-four bills and twenty-two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1–10, 21–29, 39, 41–193, S. J. Res.1, S. Res.1–20, and S. Con Res. 1. **Pages S36–41**

Measures Passed:

Administration of Oath of Office: The Senators-elect were administered the oath of office by the Vice President. **Pages S1–4**

Notification to the President: Senate agreed to S. Res. 1, informing the President of the United States that a quorum of each House is assembled. **Page S5**

Notification to the House of Representatives: Senate agreed to S. Res. 2, informing the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled. **Page S5**

Electing the President Pro Tempore: Senate agreed to S. Res. 3, to elect Robert C. Byrd, a Senator from the State of West Virginia, to be President pro tempore of the Senate of the United States. **Pages S5–6**

Notification to the President: Senate agreed to S. Res. 4, notifying the President of the United States of the election of a President pro tempore. **Page S6**

Notification to the House of Representatives: Senate agreed to S. Res. 5, notifying the House of Representatives of the election of a President pro tempore. **Page S6**

Thanking Senator Stevens: Senate agreed to S. Res. 6, expressing the thanks of the Senate to the Honorable Ted Stevens for his service as President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate and to des-

ignate Senator Stevens as President Pro Tempore Emeritus of the United States Senate. **Page S6**

Fixing the Hour of Daily Meeting: Senate agreed to S. Res. 7, fixing the hour of daily meeting of the Senate. **Page S6**

Electing the Secretary of the Senate: Senate agreed to S. Res. 8, electing Nancy Erickson as Secretary of the Senate. **Page S6**

Notification to the President: Senate agreed to S. Res. 9, notifying the President of the United States of the election of a Secretary of the Senate. **Page S6**

Notification to the House of Representatives: Senate agreed to S. Res. 10, notifying the House of Representatives of the election of a Secretary of the Senate. **Page S6**

Electing the Sergeant At Arms: Senate agreed to S. Res. 11, electing Terrance W. Gainer as the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate. **Pages S6–7**

Notification to the President: Senate agreed to S. Res. 12, notifying the President of the United States of the election of a Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate. **Page S7**

Notification to the House of Representatives: Senate agreed to S. Res. 13, notifying the House of Representatives of the election of a Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate. **Page S7**

Electing the Secretary for the Majority: Senate agreed to S. Res. 14, electing Martin P. Paone of Virginia as Secretary for the Majority of the Senate. **Page S7**

Electing the Secretary for the Minority: Senate agreed to S. Res. 15, electing David J. Schiappa of Maryland as Secretary for the Minority of the Senate.

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Appointment of Senate Legal Counsel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 16, to make effective appointment of the Senate Legal Counsel.

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Appointment of Deputy Senate Legal Counsel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 17, to make effective appointment of the Deputy Senate Legal Counsel.

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Robert T. Stafford White Rocks National Recreation Area: Senate passed S. 159, to redesignate the White Rocks National Recreation Area in the State of Vermont as the “Robert T. Stafford White Rocks National Recreation Area”.

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Unanimous Consent Agreements:

Authority for Select Committee on Ethics: Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 110th Congress, the Ethics Committee be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate.

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Time for Roll Call Votes: Senate agreed that, during the 110th Congress, there be a limitation of 15 minutes each upon any roll call vote, with the warning signal to be sounded at the midway point, beginning at the last 7½ minutes, and when roll call votes are of 10-minute duration, the warning signal be sounded at the beginning of the last 7½ minutes.

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Authority to Receive Reports: Senate agreed that, during the 110th Congress, it be in order for the Secretary of the Senate to receive reports at the desk when presented by a Senator at any time during the day of the session of the Senate.

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Recognition of Leadership: Senate agreed that, the Majority and Minority Leaders may daily have up to 10 minutes each on each calendar day following the prayer, and disposition of the reading of, or the approval of, the Journal.

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House Parliamentary Floor Privileges: Senate agreed that, the Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives and his five assistants be given the privileges of the floor during the 110th Congress.

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Printing of Conference Reports: Senate agreed that, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXVIII, conference reports and statements accompanying them not be printed as Senate reports when such conference reports and statements have been printed as a House report unless specific request is made in the Senate in each instance to have such a report printed.

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Authority for Appropriations Committee: Senate agreed that, the Committee on Appropriations be authorized during the 110th Congress to file reports during adjournments or recesses of the Senate on appropriations bills, including joint resolutions, together with any accompanying notices of motions to suspend Rule XVI, pursuant to Rule V, for the purpose of offering certain amendments to such bills or joint resolutions, which proposed amendments shall be printed.

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Authority for Corrections in Engrossment: Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 110th Congress, the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to make technical and clerical corrections in the engrossments of all Senate-passed bills and resolutions, Senate amendments to House bills and resolutions, Senate amendments to House amendments to Senate bills and resolutions, and Senate amendments to House amendments to Senate amendments to House bills or resolutions.

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Authority to Receive Messages and Sign Enrolled Measures: Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 110th Congress, when the Senate is in recess or adjournment, the Secretary of the Senate is authorized to receive messages from the President of the United States, and—with the exception of House bills, joint resolutions and concurrent resolutions—messages from the House of Representatives; and that they be appropriately referred; and that the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the Acting President pro tempore be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills and joint resolutions.

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Privileges of the Floor: Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 110th Congress, Senators be allowed to leave at the desk with the Journal Clerk the names of two staff members who will be granted the privilege of the floor during the consideration of the specific matter noted, and that the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to rotate such staff members as space allows.

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Referral of Treaties and Nominations: Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 110th Congress, it be in order to refer treaties and nominations on the day when they are received from the President, even when the Senate has no executive session that day.

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Authority to Introduce Measures: Senate agreed that, for the duration of the 110th Congress, Senators may be allowed to bring to the desk bills, joint resolutions, concurrent resolutions, and simple resolutions, for referral to appropriate committees.

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S. Res. 19—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 12 noon on

Monday, January 8, 2007, Senate begin consideration of S. Res. 19, honoring President Gerald Rudolph Ford, and vote on its adoption. **Page S201**

Second Reading—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate on Friday, January 5, 2007, that S. 1, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process, be considered to have received its second reading. **Page S201**

Appointments:

Senate Legal Counsel: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 95-521, appointed Morgan J. Frankel, of the District of Columbia, as Senate Legal Counsel, for a term of service to expire at the end of the 111th Congress. **Page S7**

Deputy Senate Legal Counsel: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 95-521, appointed Patricia Mack Bryan, of Vir-

ginia, as Deputy Senate Legal Counsel, for a term of service to expire at the end of the 111th Congress.

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Messages From the House:

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Measures Held at Desk:

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Measures Read First Time:

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Executive Communications:

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Additional Statements:

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Quorum Calls: One quorum call was taken today. (Total—1) **Pages S4-5**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12:02 p.m., and adjourned at 6:28 p.m., until 11:30 a.m., on Monday, January 8, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S201.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced will appear in tomorrow's Record.

Additional Cosponsors: (See next issue.)

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on December 15, 2006: Report of the Activities of the Committee on Armed Services for the 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-731);

Filed on December 19, 2006: In the matter of Representative James McDermott (H. Rept. 109-732);

Filed on December 19, 2006: Investigation of allegations related to improper conduct involving Members and current or former House pages (H. Rept. 109-733);

Filed on December 21, 2006: Report on Activities of the Committee on Appropriations, 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-734);

Filed on December 21, 2006: Report on Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Resources During the 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-735);

Filed on December 22, 2006: Report on the Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee

on Ways and Means During the 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-736);

Filed on December 27, 2006: Activities Report of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-737);

Filed on December 29, 2006: Summary of Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for the 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-738);

Filed on December 29, 2006: Activities of the House Committee on Government Reform for the 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-739);

Filed on January 2, 2007: Summary of Activities of the Committee on Small Business for the 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-740);

Filed on January 2, 2007: Report on Legislative and Oversight Activities of the House Committee on Homeland Security During the 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-741);

Filed on January 2, 2007: Report on the Activity of the Committee on Financial Services for the 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-742);

Filed on January 2, 2007: Survey of Activities of the House Committee on Rules, 109th Congress (H. Rept. 109-743);